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INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
OKLAHOMA

**BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

**IN RE: ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF PURCHASING)
GROUPS IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA) Case No. 16-0628-PRJ**

TO: ALL PURCHASING GROUPS IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

JURISDICTION

1. The Insurance Commissioner, John D. Doak, is charged with the duty of administering and enforcing the provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101 et seq., including the Oklahoma Risk Retention Act, 36 O.S. §§ 6451 through 6458.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law that requires a particular form and associated payment to be filed with the Insurance Department in paper form, or to be mailed or hand-delivered to the Insurance Department, the Insurance Commissioner may, by appropriate order, require that all filings of that specific type be filed or delivered in electronic format. 36 O.S. § 350.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Each non-exempt purchasing group intending to engage in the business of purchasing liability insurance on a group basis in the State of Oklahoma must register with and furnish notice to the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to the requirements set forth in 36 O.S. § 6458.

2. All purchasing groups are required to pay an annual registration fee of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) to the Insurance Commissioner. 36 O.S. § 6465.

3. On November 1, 2014, the following statutory provision in the Oklahoma Insurance Code took effect:

DUTY TO FILE OR DELIVER PAYMENTS ELECTRONICALLY

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4. This provision of law provides the Insurance Commissioner with the authority, by appropriate order, to require purchasing group registration forms and associated payments to be filed electronically with the Insurance Department.

5. The Insurance Commissioner finds it proper to prescribe that all Purchasing Group registration forms and all accompanying fees for a Purchasing Group registration be filed by electronic means and format effective on or before November 1, 2016 and all filings thereafter, pursuant to 36 O.S. § 350, as approved by the Commissioner.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Findings of Fact above are adopted, and incorporated by reference in these Conclusions of Law as if fully set forth herein.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, that all Purchasing Group registration forms and all accompanying fees for a Purchasing Group registration be filed by electronic means and format effective on or before November 1, 2016 and thereafter, pursuant to 36 O.S. § 350, as approved by the Commissioner.

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this 8th day of September, 2016.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James A. Mills". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

James A. Mills
Chief of Staff
Oklahoma Insurance Department